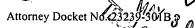
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Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

Amendment and Response (26 pgs.);

Declaration of Andrew Ellington regarding Marshall reference (2 pgs.);

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Petition for One-Month Extension of Time (1 pg.);

Check No.16353 in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the Extension Fee;

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If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 Ref. No. 23239-301B. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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